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## NO "PUSSY-FOOTING" HERE

Roosevelt has thrown down his defy to the leaders and bosses of the Republican party as well as the rank and file that have been shouting and praying for the nomination of Hughes. The Colonel wants that nomination himself as well as the nomination of the Progressive Convention, and he doesn't propose being shunted to one side by Justice Hughes or anybody else. He has been "pussy-footing" for several months after it, but the Hughes sentiment was getting a little too general to suit him, and now he is out in the open fighting with all the vigor and vim of his strenuous nature.

He left Oyster Bay last Monday on a rally "swing around the circle" of the Middle West, giving out some crisp Rooseveltian expressions at Chicago as he passed through—stopping there only a few hours—on his way to Kansas City. He was hilariously hailed there, however, by the news reporters and the tooting of automobiles on his rush to the hotel. He had little to say for the newsgatherers, telling them they'd have to wait until he sent forth his bugle blast from the city on the Kaw.

At Kansas City Tuesday he was given one of the most enthusiastic ovations that he has ever received in any campaign, evincing the large place he occupies in the public eye, and his red-blooded, self-assertive and forceful nature responded to the reception with characteristic aplomb. In this trip, just on the eve of the National Convention, he has donned his fighting armor and has gone in to win with all the earnestness and resourcefulness of a general who sees his army about to be flanked with a fresh recruit of the enemy. His battle cry is "Americanism" and he is playing upon it with all the variations of the skilled linguist.

From Kansas City he went to St. Louis and there, too, was given an enthusiastic reception Wednesday. His speech there was a hot one, and the "hyphenated American" was made to hide his diminished head. He's going to make things lively at Chicago next week, and the Standpat bosses of the Republican party are as restless as an old hen with a brood of chickens sighting a hawk.

The Republican party is still facing a great big question mark—Hughes or Teddy?

This is the season, every fourth year, when most Republicans maintain a painful silence whenever the question is broached as to who will probably be "chosen" to lead that party in national affairs. This year there is no exception in such respect to the general rule. The average Republican appears to have no preference as to who the nominee shall be, and will doubtless be satisfied with either a Bull Moose or a Stand-patter.

If plans that are now being arranged for the entertainment of visitors in St. Louis during the Democratic National Convention are carried out faithfully, such plans will result in the most salutary advertisement of that city throughout every State in the Union. The hotels have all agreed that there would be no raise in their rates during that period, and the committee has gone so far as to secure an agreement from the taxicab companies to a reduction of 25 per cent. under their usual rates. National conventions have always, and everywhere, been made the occasion for the "putting on" of all manner of "hold-up" prices from visitors, and if St. Louis succeeds in eliminating the usual "robbery methods" from the "program", it will leave a most savory taste in the mouths of all those who may be guests of that splendid city.

## UNIVERSAL PEACE

The platform for universal peace, outlined in President Wilson's address at the banquet given by the League to Enforce Peace at Washington last Saturday night, is ripe in thought and wise in suggestion. It is based upon three fundamental principles that may truthfully be called inalienable rights.

1. That every people has a right to choose the sovereignty under which they shall live.  
2. That the small states of the world have a right to enjoy the same respect for their sovereignty and for their territorial integrity that great and powerful nations expect and insist upon.  
3. That the world has a right to be free from every disturbance of its peace that has its origin in aggression and disregard for the rights of peoples and nations.

The Golden Rule of Christianity embraces these rights, as does the better sense and judgment of humanity, for any violation of the rights of the smallest government or sovereignty by a stronger power is a menace to the security of every other nation, as its sanction establishes the rule of force, and might takes the place of right. Hence it is to the interest of every people to check the aggression of any power against the weaker neighbor, for in that way only can the peace of the world be attained and maintained. As Mr. Wilson suggests, national strength and force can only be justly used in maintaining the integrity and peace of all alike.

To this end, he declares that if it should ever be our privilege to suggest or intimate a movement for peace among the nations now at war, one of the principal subjects to be taken up for consideration would or should be "an universal association of the nations to maintain the inviolate security of the highway of the seas for the common and unhindered use of all the nations of the world, and to prevent any war begun either contrary to treaty covenants or without warning and full submission of the causes to the opinion of the world—a virtual guarantee of territorial integrity and political independence."

It is only by the successful inauguration of such an association or league of the nations of the world, that universal peace may be brought about and its security guaranteed. With the existence of such a league, bound by strong treaty obligations and approved and acquiesced in by all, any nation, however powerful it might be, would hesitate before forcing an aggressive war.

"The cost of living continues to go higher, notwithstanding the Democratic pledge to immediately lower the high cost of living," observes the Greenville Sun. Yes, and wages and business of all sorts are soaring, and the empty dinner pail of halcyon Republican days is not heard of any more in the land.

A Republican quandary: If the Republicans nominate Hughes, Teddy and his cohorts will bolt; if they nominate Roosevelt, all their campaign hopes of corralling the hyphenated German vote will fade away; if they nominate any of the favorite "sons", the enthusiasm of the rank and file will shrivel up. And so whatever horn of the dilemma they take DEFEAT in large, black letters is already writ across their drooping banner.

Col. John Mosby, the dashing cavalry leader of the Confederacy, died in Washington City last Tuesday (Memorial Day), aged 82 years. There were no more daring men than Col. Mosby on either side in the civil war, and though in command of but a few daring rangers like himself, there was no undertaking too venturesome for him. One of his most brilliant exploits occurred, according to historical records, on a night in March, 1863, when with thirty followers, he rode through the Federal army to Fairfax Court House, only 15 miles from Washington, where General Stoughton was asleep. Although surrounded by an army said to have been 17,000 strong, the rangers calmly kidnaped the General, his staff and

many sentries, and turned them over to the Confederate authorities at Culpeper without having lost a man."

## WHICH IS THE BETTER?

We clip the two following consistent (?) paragraphs from the editorial columns of our sarcastic Republican contemporary, the Potosi Journal:

"We haven't 'got' Villa yet, and every day or two the Mexicans make another raid along the border. Watchful waiting wins."

"There is no enthusiasm on the part of the American youth to hold up the hands of Wilson in his foreign policy by rushing to join the regular army or the State militias. Recent attempts to fill the ranks of both these arms have proven dismal failures."

With an inefficient piece-meal army, the heritage of the Republican administrations' neglect for the last forty or fifty years in their absorption to further the special privileges of the "interests," and the Journal's declared hesitation of "the American youth" to fill the depleted ranks of the regular army or the State militia, would it have had Mr. Wilson to precipitate a war with Mexico? Or make more drastic demands of Germany and England in the mad craze of the European war to respect American life and commercial rights on the high seas, that would be certain to break friendly relations, with no sufficient army and navy or transports for our soldiers to back up the demands? Or, a la the belated indignation of Roosevelt, to have rushed into war with the Allies against Germany for her violation of Belgium sovereignty and neutrality?

On the square, now, isn't "watchful waiting," while the administration and Congress are putting forth efforts to place the army and navy on a firmer basis of preparedness, for defensive action or offensive if necessary, better than making a humiliating spectacle of the United States by shouting bombastic demands it cannot enforce, or rushing into armed intervention and war with Mexico when the government cannot muster a sufficient army to properly protect the Southern border, much less attempt armed invasion?

And if there is "no enthusiasm on the part of the American youth", which simply means a lack of patriotism, to stand up for and defend his country, what a sorry plight "the land of the free and the home of the brave" is in!

James J. Hill, the great railroad builder and capitalist, who has also been known as the "Empire Builder," died at his home in St. Paul Monday morning, of bowel trouble, aged 78 years. Born of Irish-Canadian parents, he started out a poor boy, and for many years past has occupied one of the loftiest positions in the railroad and financial world. He discovered "the bread basket of the world" in the great Northwest, and devoted most of his life to the development of that great section, which now comprises six of the wealthiest States in the Union. The fortune he accumulated is estimated at from \$200,000,000 to \$250,000,000.

## Independent League to Re-Elect Wilson

Washington, D. C., May 28.—Twenty-six of the nation's foremost men, including capitalists, philanthropists, publicists and leaders in independent thought, announced today they had launched an independent movement for the re-election of President Wilson.

Steps to organize State leagues are being taken, and after the political conventions the work will be extended on a large scale. The names of the Organization Committee follows:

Bernard N. Baker, former president of the Atlantic Transport Line, Baltimore.  
Ray Stannard Baker, publicist, Amherst, Mass.  
Henry Bruers, for Chamberlain of New York City.

Charles R. Crane, capitalist, Chicago.

Cleveland H. Dodge, vice president Phelps-Dodge & Co., bankers, New York City.

Samuel Fels, manufacturer, Philadelphia, Pa.

Arthur B. Farquhar, manufacturer and president of A. B. Farquhar Co., Limited, York, Pa.

Paul Fulle, member of the Coudert Brothers, New York.

Rathbun G. Gardner, lawyer and prominent Republican, Providence, R. I.

Norman Hapgood, publicist and economist, New York.

Lamar Hardy, corporation counsel, New York.

Jos. W. Harriman, president Harriman National Bank, New York City.

Clarence H. Howard, president Commonwealth Steel Co., St. Louis, Mo.

Isador B. Jacobs, president California Canneries Co., San Francisco, Cal.

Charles H. Jones, president of the

Commonwealth Shoe and Leather Co., Boston, Mass.

Richard Lloyd Jones, editor Wisconsin State Journal, Madison, Wis.

Wm. Kent, independent member of Congress, California.

Otto T. Mallory, capitalist, Philadelphia.

John J. Murphy, tenant house commissioner, New York City.

Jos. M. Price, manufacturer, New York City.

Herbert Quick, editor, economist and writer, Berkeley Springs, W. Va.

Jacob H. Schiff, banker, New York City.

Wm. E. Sweet, banker and broker, Denver, Colo.

Graham Taylor, editor of Survey Magazine, Chicago.

Russell Whitman, lawyer and prominent Progressive, Evanston, Ill.

Lawrence A. Wood, lawyer and prominent Republican, Pittsburg, Pa.

John D. Crimmins, lawyer, New York City.

Norman Hapgood, who is in Washington, commenting on the movement today, said:

"The league will not work among Democrats, but among the large and rapidly growing number of voters who make up their minds on the men and the issues of the particular election. It is estimated that there are probably as many as five million voters in the country today who can be classed as independent."

"The purpose of the Woodrow Wilson Independent League is to form a center for the work of men who believe an effort for re-election of the President to be their patriotic duty, regardless of party."

"The league will conduct its campaign on the basis that, considering the domestic accomplishments of better national and international importance, that the President should receive the endorsement of the whole country next November regardless of ordinary political provisions."

## WOMEN BEAR WAR BURDENS

"The following is a sample of the inconsequential (?) news items we see daily in the press:

"Denver.—A carload of German refugees passed through La Junta, Colo., last night eastbound. The train stopped there long enough to feed the thirty or more women and children composing the party. All were guarded closely, no member being allowed to converse with any except the railroad officials. The party is crossing the country in bond and the women are the wives of German officers who have been captured by the Allies off the China coast."

"This is but a flash on the screen of present-day events. And it shows, as usual, who are the real sufferers in war. These German women are probably vain of their sacrifice. But what difference does that make to their grief—and their children?"

How long will the women of earth allow their sons to be trained for murder? How long will they simulate a patriotic spirit they do not and cannot, in the very nature of things, really feel?

"Out of the past comes the answer: So long as there are slaves in the world."

LOST—One 30 x 31-2 auto casing and demountable rim, also license tag No. 41734. Lost between Desloge and DeSoto. Liberal reward. Ed Murphy, Desloge, Mo. 19-4t.

## Announcements

We are authorized to announce the candidacy of the following for nomination for the office and by the party named at the General Primary to be held on Tuesday, August 1, 1916:

### DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

For Congress:  
EDWARD ROBB,  
of Perryville.

For Judge of the Circuit Court:  
PETER H. HUCK.

For Representative:  
G. W. MOOTHART.  
C. E. MARSHALL,  
of Flat River.

For Sheriff:  
M. A. PATTERSON.  
C. J. SUTTON.  
B. A. EATON,  
of Flat River.

L. GEORGE WILLIAMS  
of Bonne Terre.  
CHAS. ADAMS.

For County Treasurer:  
W. T. HAILE.  
H. W. COFFIELD.

For County Recorder:  
C. E. PORTER.  
THOS. V. BROWN.

J. H. (JOHN) CLAY.  
J. A. LAWRENCE.  
HENRY M. O'BANNON.

For County Assessor:  
LAWRENCE O. WELLS.  
FERD F. BEARD,  
of Bismarck.

For Public Administrator:  
DR. J. H. ENGLISH.

For County Judge First District:  
W. A. MITCHELL.  
W. J. HOBBS  
of Bonne Terre.

JOSEPH A. THORNTON  
of Bonne Terre.

For County Judge Second District:  
F. M. MATKIN,  
of Doe Run.

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## BUSINESS COLLEGE NOTES

The winners last week of the Remington award contest were, Miss Augusta Lawrence, the Efficiency Award, and Mr. Lawrence Higgins, the Penman. Some of our students hope to be ready for the Gold Medal contest on July 1st.

Miss Frankie Hamilton has successfully passed the second shorthand test in the President's office.

The following passed the first and second shorthand tests, respectively, in Miss Lawrence's room last week: Miss Irene Barrett and Mrs. Roy Caldwell; Miss Augusta Lawrence, Lydia Hinz, Anna Puttmann, Vera Blankenship, and Messrs. Lawrence Higgins and John Govro.

Miss Anna Puttmann, who enrolled in our stenographic department last summer, has accepted a stenographic position in the office of Lawyer Francis A. Benham.

Miss Addie Hughes, who has been one of the successful teachers in the Bismarck public school, enrolled in our stenographic department last week.

Shelly Logsdon has gone to Mine La Motte, where he is doing work for the Federal Lead Co.

Prof. Cecil Hughes, one of the successful teachers of the Flat River public schools, visited us recently.

Prof. Geo. A. Miller, who has been principal of the Muskogee Business College, Muskogee, Okla., has been employed by the Ozark Business College Co. to become principal of a new branch school being organized in Flat River, said school to open its summer term Monday, June 12th.

President Moothart of the same company is also organizing a branch school in Bismarck and will have charge of the summer school work there, beginning Monday, June 5th. He will superintend all of the schools, being located in Bismarck. Prof. L. F. Kinder remains local principal of the Farmington school.

Miss Grace Newman, a successful teacher of the Desloge public school,

visited us Monday. A diploma was this week awarded to Miss Mamie Wheeler in the shorthand department.

## FERTILIZER FACTS

There is still a demand in parts of the middle west for the very low grade 1-7-1 fertilizer. It is so called because it contains 1 per cent ammonia, 7 per cent available phosphoric acid, and 1 per cent potash, every buyer knows, or should know, that no factory can buy fertilizer material so low in plant food. A richer material must be bought and mixed with some more filler or make-weight. If the user really needs such low-grade fertilizers, he can save the cost of bags, work of bagging, and freight charges on shipments besides his own work of hauling, if he will do just what the factory does—buy some rich fertilizer and mix it with soil or some other make-weight. While the cost per ton of this very low grade fertilizer seems low the cost per pound of plant food is very much higher than if it were secured in a more concentrated form of high-grade fertilizer. Those who wish suggestions for home-mixing of fertilizers are always gladly directed by the Agricultural Experiment Station at Columbia, Mo.—P. F. Trowbridge, Missouri College of Agriculture.

Last Saturday afternoon some boys on Jefferson street were catching crawdads, and one of the boys put his hand into an old bucket that was in the creek and got hold of a snake. They took the bucket out to the bank and found twenty-one snakes in it, which they killed, one at a time, as they crawled out of the bucket. The smallest of these snakes was about two-feet long. This happened right in town.—Potosi Journal.

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